

NEW RULES WILL HELP COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Pole Vault Trials Are More Clearly Defined.

REFEREE MAY BE COLLEGE MAN

Standing of Teams in Various Local Leagues.

GALLAUDET BASEBALL NINE

Y. M. C. A. Outdoor Games May 24. Corcorans Will Play in Baltimore. Carroll Protest Settled—Saengerbund Bowlers—Guard's Indoor Contests.

The amendments to the constitution and by-laws of the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America, as proposed at a preliminary meeting of the executive committee, held several weeks ago and printed in this column at the time, were adopted at a meeting of the association held in New York last week, with slight changes.

The association is in better shape than ever before, and the prospects for a higher class of work in big as well as in little colleges were never brighter. The meeting, as stated last week, was conducted in prompt and business-like manner, and the report showed the sport to be cleaner than ever before.

It was the first meeting in years that no member was reprimanded or expelled for infringement of the rules or for non-payment of dues.

Pole Vault Trials.

The great trouble and delay at deciding pole vault and high jump contests at all sorts of meets set the members of the association to thinking, and the conclusion they arrived at was a wise one.

For instance, if there is a two-day event, or there is a postponement of a one-day affair, it has been the custom for competitors in these events to qualify for the following day's trials without making an extra effort for good height, leaving the keen competition for places for the next day.

For instance, at last year's intercollegiate meet the two best men qualified on Friday for the Saturday trials, but unfortunately, the events of the last day of the week were postponed in a driving rain. By reason of the unusually bad condition of the take-off, caused by the heavy fall of rain, not one of the five men who qualified on the previous day was able to excel Friday's jump, and the results among the five men. The new amendment provides that, as regards the pole vault and the high jump, "the contest shall be decided by the performances of Saturday."

Amendments Adopted.

The adopted amendment which covers the above and other field sports, is as follows:

"The field contests shall be started on Friday afternoon; on that afternoon each man in the weight and broad jump shall be allowed three trials. On Saturday afternoon the best five competitors in each field contest shall be allowed to compete; on that afternoon the competitors in the weight and broad jump shall be allowed three trials, and the best four competitors of the two afternoons, three additional trials. The performance of the two afternoons, other than in the pole vault and high jump, shall decide the contest in each field contest, but in the pole vault and high jump the contest shall be alone decided by the contest of Saturday."

The Rule as to Pole Vault.

The poles shall be unlimited as to size and weight, but shall have no assisting device, except that they may be wound or wrapped with any substance for the purpose of affording a firmer grasp, and may have one prong at the lower end. No competitor shall, in his vault, raise the hand which was upmost when he left the ground to a higher point of the pole, nor shall he raise the hand which was upmost when he left the ground to a point on the pole above the other hand. Any competitor who uses a pole without a spike shall be allowed to dig a hole, not more than one foot in diameter, at the take-off in which to plant his pole.

Scorer's Duties.

The duties of a "scorer" at an athletic meet while they have been clearly defined have by no means been carried out in a manner satisfactory at every meet. So that there can be no misunderstanding in the future the association again defined the duties and amended one or two slightly. The scorers' clause as adopted follows:

"The scorer shall keep a record of the starters and point winners in each contest, together with their respective places. He shall record by the name of each competitor, and call them aloud, when tallied, for the benefit of the contestants. The scorers shall keep as adopted follows:

There are so few athletes who have any clear conception as to when and how to make a protest that the association saw fit to give the matter some attention and gave out the following method of making a protest:

"Verbal protests may be made at or before any athletic meeting against a competitor or claim, by any competitor or college competitor, but such protest must be subsequently, and before action thereon, made in writing and duly presented to the association.

The protest must be made "before" or "during" a contest, and not after, when an event has been lost or won. This applies to individual as well as team competitors, and it may be well for local athletes to bear this in mind.

Referee and Professional Starter.

Heretofore the selection of referee was confined to non-college men, and for a long number of years "Father Bill" Curtis, the late William B. Curtis, was a very satisfactory referee. His death opened the way for some of the colleges to decide upon allowing a college man to act as referee. The amendment adopted last week makes it discretionary and leaves the selection to the executive committee, and provides further that the "starter" of games shall be a professional, as seen in the following: "The referee shall be selected by the executive committee not later than April 1, and he shall name at least two officials for each position necessary for the proper conduct of the annual field meeting, and from such nominations the executive committee shall, before May 1, select the officials for the game. The starter of the game shall be a professional.

Intercollegiate and Collegiate.

In order to keep separate all records made by the Intercollegiate Association and any of the colleges which are members thereof, it has been decided to keep entirely different lists and accounts of them, and the two records were defined as follows:

Intercollegiate record is any record made at the annual meeting of the I. C. A. A. A. A. Collegiate record is made at any meet held by a member of the I. C. A. A. A. A. The I. C. A. A. A. A. shall keep a list of all intercollegiate records, and another of all collegiate records.

In every contest a gold medal shall be awarded to first, a silver to second, and a bronze to third. In the case of a tie and the inability to agree upon a method of deciding the contest, the referee shall decide.

Standing of League Teams.

Only one game in the Indoor Baseball League series was played last week and that resulted in a victory for the Corcorans, by a score of 8 to 3, against the Ureils. The Corcorans' game with the Y. M. C. A. scheduled for last night was postponed to April 5.

Next Wednesday the Corcorans and Ureils meet for a return game.

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Y. M. C. A. 1 1 300
Corcorans 2 1 300
Ureils 3 1 300
Corcorans 4 1 300

District Bowling League.

The week's playing brought no change in the standing of the Carroll's bowling team. They are still on top and by an increased per cent. It begins to look as if they will finish there.

Three games from the Business Men on Tuesday increased the Carroll's lead considerably. The loss of two games to the Jolly Fat Men by the Saengerbund drew the latter farther away from goal and if they are not careful they will exchange third place with the Fat Men.

On Friday night the Y. M. C. A. won three games from the Business Men's Club by good margins.

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Corcorans 1 1 300
Jolly Fat Men's Club 2 1 300
Saengerbund 3 1 300
Y. M. C. A. 4 1 300

District Basketball League.

The Corcoran Cadet team is still the undisputed leader in the District Basketball League standing. It is very doubtful if the team can be beaten out.

The game scheduled for last Tuesday between the Carroll's and Y. M. C. A. was postponed by the former because of the leaving of the hall beneath the team.

The Sixth Battalion and Carroll's play tomorrow night in the Guards Army and the Corcorans and the Sixth play next Friday night in the same place.

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Athletics at Y. M. C. A.

Numerous requests for further information about the outdoor meet to be held by the Young Men's Christian Association on May 24 are pouring in on Physical Directors Ridenour and Becker, and the indications even now point to a widespread interest.

Mr. Becker has a request from the Baltimore Athletic Club, through B. Merrill Hopkinson, to add a 56-pound weight event to the card. His request may be complied with by the Baltimore Athletic Club, as it is sure to have in numerous entries.

In addition to the events named heretofore, there will be the following:

Open to Y. M. C. A. only: 100 and 220-yard dashes and mile run.

Junior events, open handicap: 100-yard dash and relay races.

Intercollegiate events: 220 and 440-yard runs.

Relay races, open to local and out-of-town organizations. Also between local.

The splendid showing made by the association's entries in last week's Georgetown games reflects credit upon Mr. Becker.

It was expected that the local Y. M. C. A. would win its relay race from the Baltimore association, but it was hardly expected that it would win so easily. The men gained something on his lap and the Orioles were never in it.

The juniors, too, made a great showing, and the young men leaving around the track was somewhat of a revelation to the audience. The three teams of youngsters entered were so closely watched that it seemed as if they were being followed by a line of men. There was only one-fifth of a second between them.

Coming Events.

The manager of the indoor baseball team hopes to secure the consent of the Ureil Rules to a postponement of the game scheduled for March 11 so that the association can play its return game with the crack Verwatts of Baltimore. If the Ureils will consent the association will play a double-header with the Riflemen.

The association will have as its guest next Saturday the Morton Cadets for a basketball game.

The events to be contested in the next competition for the all-around champion, which will be held at the Y. M. C. A. ship, March 14, will include front vault, side horse, three standing broad jumps, and 120-yard potato race.

Gallaudet College Teams.

The prospects for a good, strong baseball team at Gallaudet College were never brighter. All the players of last year's team, with the exception of Barham, the crack left fielder, are here, and ready for outdoor practice.

There is so much good new material to choose from that the old players will have to fight hard to retain their places.

The outfielders will have as their best man probably be seen behind the bat most of the time. He has good "arms" in Lovelace and Cooley.

Among the new men who are trying for places on the pitchers' staff are: McDonough and Escherich, Rosson, Wafer, Fisher, Neuman, and Meunier, who have been making regular turns.

Make-Up of Team.

The team will probably be made up as follows, in addition to the above: Cooley, Lovelace, or Lawrence, first base; Gelfus, Meunier, Hunter, Burgher, and Escherich will try for infield places. Meunier was second baseman last year; Gelfus, third, and Hunter, short. The old outfielders are Lawrence and Worley, and these, with some of the pitchers, will play the outer garden.

Captain Andree has had his men out practicing, throwing and batting, and he hopes to make the latter the feature of the team's work.

General De Montreuil, of this city, and of the Boston National League team, will probably coach the Gallaudets.

The Schedule.

Manager C. A. Painter has about completed his Southern schedule. Games have been arranged with the University of North Carolina, Wake Forest College, Agriculture, and Mechanics, Trinity College and Oak Ridge Institute. Otherwise the schedule is not complete. It will include games with Georgetown, Naval Academy, Villanova College, Gettysburg College, Roanoke, Bucknell, and Maryland Agricultural.

Corcoran Cadet Corps.

The Corcoran Cadet basketball team has been taking hard practice three times a week for the game it has on hand

with the Baltimore Central Y. M. C. A. March 8. Captain Merriery is working his team into good shape and he hopes to win the big game. The game will be played in Baltimore. The return game will be played here, March 20.

At a meeting of the District Basketball League, held last week at the residence of Lieutenant Crawford, president of the league, the league declined to consider the protest entered against the Corcorans, and offered by Mr. Joyce, of the Carroll. The facts are these: These teams played a game in the Army on January 31, and the Cadets won, 9 to 7. After the game, Mr. Joyce protested it because, he claimed, the Cadets were playing a man who had boxed professionally. The league declined upon the ground that the protest was not made in proper form or at the proper time. It should have been made when the teams first lined up on

the field.

It develops more muscles of the body than any other exercise, except possibly swimming. Bowling trains and develops the eyesight and also the powers of calculation and perception. Too many of our American games and pastimes develop only the muscles. Many needs exercise to counteract the effect of too much brain

work, and as a rule, most sports and games are devoid of mental effort that they are almost as bad as no exercise at all when viewed from the standpoint of a necessary conjunction of physical and mental development. It requires no effort of the brain power to swim or ride a bicycle.

In connection with the actual antithesis of any foregoing conditions that possibly might otherwise have been conceived from an alternative viewpoint, are caused by bowlers rushing out into the cold air while they are aglow from the exercise.

Philadelphia Jack O'Brien.

Philadelphia, Jack O'Brien occupies a position unique in the history of Italian pugilism. In his belt are the scalps of all the welterweight, middleweight and heavyweight champions of England. Going to the other side absolutely unknown, a stranger in a strange land, where prejudice against all but native sons is said to be more strongly developed than anywhere else, he won his way to popularity, winning golden opinions from all sorts of people and obtaining a vogue as a sportsman, which was gained by any other American pugilist. From John C. Heenan down, much of O'Brien's success was undoubtedly due to his personal charm, and that would explain his success. To win the hearts of the followers of the boxers' game in England, as elsewhere, the aspirant must demonstrate to the man who has broken all records to give as well as take. How well O'Brien succeeded in his mission has been demonstrated by the long series of victories, and the general respectability of the sport of boxing in England when he announced his intention of departing for the States. Americans in general and Philadelphia in particular are naturally elated over his success abroad, and will await with pleasurable expectancy the chance to see for themselves the improvement in the man who has broken all records of the English ring, and who only a few short years ago was working his way through the amateur classes. O'Brien will make his first appearance in this country since winning international honors at the Penn Athletic Club, Philadelphia, tomorrow night, when he will meet Andy Walsh in a four-round bout. Walsh is one of the half-dozen boxers who have expressed their desire to meet O'Brien, and was given the preference by manager Julian Ryan, he is better qualified to make O'Brien realize than any of the others.

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